

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in the application. In the office action dated April 20, 2005, the Examiner rejected all pending claims.

In this amendment claims 1, 3, 4, 8 and 9 have been amended. Claim 2 has been canceled.

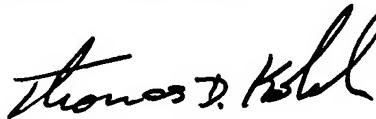
The rejection under §112 is respectfully traversed. Minor typographical corrections have resolved antecedent problems raised by the Examiner.

Claim 1 is amended herein to include the limitations of claim 2. Claim 2 was neither rejected as indefinite nor as anticipated. For these reasons, amended claim 1 and the claims dependent thereon are in allowable form. The rejection under §102(b) is rendered moot.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that the application as a whole is in form for allowance. Should the Examiner have any continuing objections, the Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to contact the undersigned at 415-442-1106 in order to expedite allowance of the case. Authorization is granted to charge any outstanding fees due at this time for the continued prosecution of this matter to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (matter no. 060944-0187).

Respectfully submitted,

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